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**MAN ARRESTED AT MANCHESTER AIRPORT
FOR INTERFERING WITH FLIGHT ATTENDANTS**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – United States Attorney Tom Colantuono, FBI Special Agent In Charge Kenneth Kaiser, Federal Security Director Raymond Carolan, and Rockingham County Sheriff Daniel Linehan report that 34-year-old Scott C. Storm was arrested last Friday at the Manchester Airport for the federal crime of interfering with flight attendants.

Storm, who lives in Gallup, New Mexico, was charged with assaulting a Northwest Airlines flight attendant and disregarding her instructions to remain seated and not to disturb other passengers. A criminal complaint filed against Storm in federal court in Concord alleges that on September 11, 2003, he was a passenger on Northwest Airlines flight # 1552 from Minneapolis, Minnesota to Manchester, New Hampshire. He is charged with assaulting and intimidating a flight attendant on that flight by grabbing her around the waist, touching her breasts, and disregarding her instructions to cease his disruptive conduct, which included swearing at other passengers.

Storm was arrested by FBI agents, TSA agents, and Rockingham County Sheriff's Deputies at the Manchester Airport Friday evening as he attempted to board a return flight to Minneapolis.

If convicted, Storm faces a maximum prison term of 20 years and a fine of \$250,000. Storm was arraigned on Friday evening and released on personal recognizance bail. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for 11:00 AM on October 9, 2000, at the federal courthouse in Concord, New Hampshire.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), and the Rockingham County Sheriff's Department. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mark S. Zuckerman.

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY COLANTUONO REMINDS THE PUBLIC THAT A CRIMINAL COMPLAINT IS ONLY AN ALLEGATION AND NOT PROOF OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT. AS IN ALL CRIMINAL CASES, EACH DEFENDANT IS PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT.